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Aryan race to the writings of mediæval days. The author reviews the labors of Sanscrit scholars in this vast field of literature, and then gives a survey of the great Indian epics, whose character and scope are illustrated by copious extracts. Her work has elicited the cordial interest of such authorities as Professor Max Müller and Sir Monier Williams, professor of Sanscrit in Oxford University; and the latter has done her the high honor of revising the chapter on "Krishna."

— Messrs. E. & F. N. Spon announce as nearly ready, "Mining and Ore Dressing Machinery," by C. G. Warnford Lock, being a comprehensive treatise dealing with the modern practice of winning both metalliferous and non metalliferous minerals, including all the operations incidental thereto, and preparing the product for the market; and as just published "Waterways and Water Transport in Different Countries, with a Description of the Panama, Suez, Manchester, Nicaraguan, and other Canals," by J. Stephen Jeans. The purpose of this latter volume is to deal with water-transport only, and more particularly that part of water-transport which is carried on by means of artificial waterways. A good deal of attention has been given in this work to the subject of isthmian canals; and in the appendix will be found a large mass of information as to the extent of the British canal system, and the dates at which the principal canal and river navigations were executed.

— The following announcement by the D. Van Nostrand Company is made regarding their Science Series. No. 9 of the series, "Fuel," by C. William Siemens, is now out of print, but it is to be entirely rewritten and very much enlarged by Mr. Arthur V. Abbott. The additional matter will take up the subject of gas and petroleum as fuel; while the chapter on artificial fuel, by John Wornmald, will be retained, with some new matter. Tables will be added, so as to increase the value of the work to students in general. The title of the new edition of No. 57, which will be ready soon, will be "Incandescent Electric Lighting: A Practical Description of the Edison System, by L. H. Latimer, to which is added the Design and Operation of Incandescent Stations by C. J. Field, and a Paper on the Maximum Efficiency of Incandescent Lamps by John W. Howell." The same firm have in preparation a translation of Dr. Otto Dziobek's "Mathematical Theories of the Motion of the Planets."

— The *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, published for Harvard University by George H. Ellis, Boston, begins its fifth volume with the number for October. The number will contain papers by Professor A. G. Warner of Nebraska, on "Some Experiments in Behalf of the Unemployed," describing interesting experiments in the United States, Germany, and Holland; by Professor S. M. Macvane of Harvard University, on "The Discussion of Value and Wages in the Recent Great Work of Boehm-Bawerk, the Austrian economist;" by Chauncey Smith, of the Boston bar, on "A Century of Patent Law," an account of the patent law of the United States and of its working during the last hundred years; and by Henry Hudson, on "The Southern Railway and Steamship Association." In addition, there will be the usual list of recent publications on economics, and general notes and memoranda, among which is a description, by Herr Stephan Bauer of Vienna, of recent discoveries by him of unpublished material on the French economists.

— Messrs. Funk & Wagnalls send us two numbers of their series of "American Reformers." The first is a life of "Wendell Phillips the Agitator," by Carlos Martyn, and is not a good beginning of the series. It gives, indeed, a large amount of information not only about Phillips himself, but also about the anti-slavery agitation and other movements in which he was engaged, and contains many extracts from his speeches. But the author's style is full of "gush" and magniloquent expressions, such as would have been displeasing to Phillips himself, and will be equally so to every

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cultivated reader. The other book. "Horace Greeley the Editor," by Francis Nicoll Zabriskie, is a better work. The author, in our opinion, has too high an estimation of his hero, yet he exposes Greeley's faults, and perhaps says a little too much about his eccentricities. On the whole, though it bears, like Mr. Martyn's work, the marks of too great haste in writing, it will serve a purpose as a popular biography of Greeley. Let us hope, however, that the authors of the remaining books of the series will all use a sober and simple style, with careful avoidance of rhetoric.

— "English Sanitary Institutions, Reviewed in their Course of Development, and in Some of their Political and Social Relations," is the title of a volume by Sir John Simon, K.C.B., which the Cassell Publishing Company announce. The book is the result of some twenty-eight years' experience and of various official relations to the business of sanitary government. The author has written for the lay as well as the professional reader, and has as far as possible avoided technicality in the expression of his views.

— The contributors to the October *Magazine of American History* present a rare combination of eminence in the scholarly world. The number opens with a paper on the "Sources and Guarantees of National Progress," by Rev. Dr. R. S. Storrs of Brooklyn. This is prefaced by a portrait of the distinguished author, and, occupying twenty-eght of the pages of this periodical, is from first to last a procession of brilliant passages, clear, forcible, suggestive, showing what principles developed the little settlements into a great nation, whose future history is as secure as the past if only that moral life remains which characterized the founders of empire on this continent. The second paper, entitled "The American Flag and John Paul Jones," is from the pen of Professor Theodore W. Dwight of the Columbia Law School, New York. "Southold and her Homes and Memories," one of Mrs. Lamb's entertaining articles, is illustrated with antique dwellings of one of the oldest towns on the continent. "The Historic Temple at New Windsor, 1783," together with a curious picture recently discovered, comes from the well-known jurist, Hon. J. O. Dykman. "About Some Public Characters in 1786," we have a readable group of extracts from the private diary of Sir Frederick Haldimand. The "General Characteristics of the French Canadian Peasantry," by Dr. Prosper Bender, furnishes much interesting data on a theme of present interest. "The Mountains and Mountaineers of Craddock's Fiction," by Milton T. Adkins; "Anecdotes of Gen. Grenville M. Dodge," by Hon. Charles Aldrich; "The Story of Roger Williams retold," by H. E. Banning; "Antiquarian Riches of Tennessee;" and the several departments of miscellany,—follow. This magazine is in close sympathy with current affairs.

— Mr. T. Wemyss Reid, the biographer of the Right Hon. W. E. Forster, has performed an equally friendly office for the late Richard Monck-Milnes (Lord Houghton). "The Life, Letters, and Friendships" of this poet will form the subject of two volumes which the Cassell Publishing Company have now in press.

— The Johns Hopkins University has issued a pamphlet on "The Study of History in Holland and Belgium," by Paul Frédéricq, translated from the French by Henrietta Leonard. The same author had previously described the methods of historical teaching in England, France, and Germany, and he here endeavors to apply

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